

STATE OF MICHIGAN



Executive
Office

Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor

CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

On behalf of the citizens of Michigan, I, Governor Jennifer M. Granholm
hereby proclaim January 2005, as

Michigan Mentoring Month

Whereas, The health and educational well-being of children is the responsibility of all and not that of one person alone; and,

Whereas, Celebrating the importance of young children's needs and major concerns throughout Michigan is worthwhile for all of our citizens; and,

Whereas, By strengthening our children through mentoring, we are building a stronger future for them, our communities, and our great state; and,

Whereas, The efforts of one citizen mentoring will help ensure that a child realizes their life has value, potential, and the promise of a bright future; and,

Whereas, Relationships with caring mentors offer youth valuable encouragement, motivation, and support to guide them toward making positive choices; and,

Whereas, Mentoring after school programs, mentor coalitions, and public and private organizations throughout Michigan are committed to increasing the number of quality mentors statewide; and,

Whereas, Thousands of Michigan youth are waiting for mentors; and,

Whereas, Michigan Mentoring Month provides an opportunity to recognize and commend the efforts of mentoring programs across the state and raise community awareness of the importance of mentoring; and now therefore be it,

Resolved, That I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby proclaim January 2005, as Michigan Mentoring Month and I encourage all citizens to become a mentor of a young child and watch the ways in which they will improve the lives of children across the state.




Jennifer M. Granholm
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